

Aviation Investigation Preliminary Report

Location: Fredericksburg, VA **Accident Number:** ERA25LA169

Date & Time: April 9, 2025, 15:05 Local Registration: N2Z

Aircraft: Beech A36 Injuries: 2 Minor

Flight Conducted Under: Part 91: General aviation - Instructional

On April 9, 2025, about 1505 eastern daylight time, a Beech A36, N2Z, was substantially damaged when it was involved in an accident near Fredericksburg, Virginia. The pilot and the pilot rated passenger sustained minor injuries. The airplane was operated under Title 14 *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 91.

According to pilot, while conducting a flight from Leesburg Executive Airport (JYO), Leesburg, Virginia to Hampton Roads Executive Airport (PVG), Norfolk, Virginia, the airplane experienced a loss of oil pressure, followed by a complete loss of engine power. The pilot tried to land in a field but overshot the intended landing area. The left wing contacted a tree at the end of the field and the airplane rolled over and struck another tree.

The airplane sustained substantial damage to the airframe. A Federal Aviation Administration inspector reported that there was a hole in the top of the engine crankcase and the connecting rod for the No. 4 cylinder was fragmented.

The wreckage was retained for further examination.

Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	Beech	Registration:	N2Z
Model/Series:	A36	Aircraft Category:	Airplane
Amateur Built:			
Operator:	On file	Operating Certificate(s) Held:	None
Operator Designator Cod	le:		

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Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

Conditions at Accident Site:	VMC	Condition of Light:	Day
Observation Facility, Elevation:	EZF,85 ft msl	Observation Time:	14:15 Local
Distance from Accident Site:	7 Nautical Miles	Temperature/Dew Point:	11°C /-8°C
Lowest Cloud Condition:	Clear	Wind Speed/Gusts, Direction:	
Lowest Ceiling:	None	Visibility:	10 miles
Altimeter Setting:	30.27 inches Hg	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	NONE
Departure Point:	Leesburg, VA (JYO)	Destination:	Chesapeake, VA (PVG)

Wreckage and Impact Information

Crew Injuries:	2 Minor	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Passenger Injuries:	N/A	Aircraft Fire:	None
Ground Injuries:	N/A	Aircraft Explosion:	None
Total Injuries:	2 Minor	Latitude, Longitude:	38.268877,-77.593388 (est)

Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC):	Winn, Lucas
Additional Participating Persons:	Peter Basile; Textron; Wichita, KS J Ferrell; Continental Aerospace Technologies; Mobile, AL Daniel McSherry; FAA/ FSDO; Richmond , VA
Investigation Class:	Class 3
Note:	The NTSB did not travel to the scene of this accident.

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